ELIGIBILITY
Applicants to the doctoral internship program must be enrolled in an APA or CPA accredited doctoral graduate program in clinical, clinical-community, or counseling psychology. The application deadline is November 1st.

LOCATION
Yale University is located in New Haven, Connecticut on the coast of Long Island Sound just under 2 hours northeast of New York City and 2½ hours southwest of Boston. This is a lively New England community that offers diverse residential areas and housing options for individuals and families, as well as many opportunities for outdoor recreation, dining, theatre, music, and an extensive array of university-sponsored events.
PROGRAM

The Yale Department of Psychiatry offers one of the nation's premier internships in clinical and community psychology, developing the next generation of leaders in the field. Sixteen students are accepted annually to this program, which has been accredited by the American Psychological Association since 1970.

Psychology interns (called “Fellows”) train in a vibrant academic medical center where the emphasis is on state-of-the-art clinical care, professional education, and research. They have access to an enormous range of medical school and university resources.

PHILOSOPHY

The internship year is a supervised, intensive, experiential learning opportunity focused on the delivery of psychological services. The program embraces a scientist-practitioner model in which theory and evidence inform professional practice and each intern has time to pursue a scholarly activity centered on research, program evaluation, clinical care, or education.

Training is competency-based and relies on evidence-based teaching approaches. The internship is part of a nurturing professional community of psychologists that values and promotes diversity among the faculty, fellows, populations served, and the theoretical perspectives and interventions utilized.

All fellows receive training in clinical psychology. Those who elect a primary or secondary placement at The Consultation Center also receive training in community psychology.

There is a priority on professional development, including assistance in securing opportunities after internship such as postdoctoral fellowships and employment. Many graduating trainees remain at Yale to pursue postdoctoral training and research.

PLACEMENTS

The Connecticut Mental Health Center
  • Adult Inpatient Services
  • Adult Community Mental Health Services
  • Child & Adolescent Services
  • Consultation, Prevention & Program Evaluation Services
  • Hispanic Behavioral Health Services
  • Substance Abuse Services
  • Young Adult Services

Yale-New Haven Hospital
  • Yale Pediatric Gender Program
  • Adult Dialectical Behavior Therapy Services
  • Behavioral Medicine Services

CURRICULUM

Yale fellows meet together weekly for a 2½ hour Core Seminar that covers a diverse range of topics taught by the best educators within the university community.

The curriculum is organized around the internship’s core competencies: communication and interpersonal skills; individual and cultural diversity; professional values, attitudes and behaviors; ethical and legal standards; assessment; intervention; consultation; interprofessional/Interdisciplinary and systems-based practice; supervision; and research and scholarship.

The Core Seminar is complemented by placement-based seminars that focus on the competencies essential for work within specific placements. Fellows are eligible for the Department’s elective courses and many public lectures offered throughout the university.

FACULTY

There are approximately 90 full-time faculty psychologists within the Department of Psychiatry and over 100 additional psychologists serving in part-time clinical faculty roles. A large proportion of these individuals contribute to the internship program as advisors, supervisors, seminar leaders, and lecturers.

Yale faculty members are leaders in the field, as evidenced by their record of grants, publications, awards, and roles in professional organizations and government-sponsored boards and committees. As a group, they are passionate about training the next generation of psychologists and are considered by interns to be nurturing and caring mentors.

WAGES & BENEFITS

The salary for the 2022-2023 internship year will be at least $38,069. Fellows are eligible for medical coverage through Yale Health for themselves, spouses, and children, with the option to purchase coverage through several alternative private health insurance plans at an additional charge. A range of additional benefits to support childcare and health & wellness are available. Four weeks of paid leave is also provided.